

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

What is claimed is

- 1 1-25. (Canceled)
- 1 26. (currently amended) An apparatus for shielding a user's eye while allowing the user's
2 eye contact with air, the apparatus comprising:
 - 3 a. an eyeshield comprising a single layer of material having an optically
4 correct viewing area; and
 - 5 b. a cushioning structure affixed to at least a portion of the perimeter of
6 the eyeshield wherein the cushioning structure includes a plurality of vents for
7 allowing air to circulate behind the eyeshield and wherein at least a nose-bridge
8 portion of the cushioning structure is affixed only to a single surface of the eyeshield.
- 1 27. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 further comprising openings in
2 the eyeshield for coupling a strap to the eyeshield.
- 1 28. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 27 wherein the length of the strap
2 is adjustable for holding the eyeshield in front of the eye.
- 1 29. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein the plurality of vents
2 do not distort vision.
- 1 30. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein the plurality of vents
2 include holes in the cushioning structure.
- 1 31. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein the nose bridge portion
2 of the cushioning structure has a plurality of vents formed by holes in the cushioning
3 structure.
- 1 32. (previously added) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein the eyeshield provides
2 structural support for a means of securing the eyeshield to the user.
- 1 33-37. (Canceled)

1 38. (new) The apparatus as claimed in claim 26 wherein the optically correct viewing area of
2 the eyeshield is clear.